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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR TRADING TAXABLE AND NON-

TAXABLE SECURITIES

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated January 19, 2006, a copy of which is submitted herewith, in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period for response to the Office Action expires on February 20, 2006. This response is therefore timely submitted under the shorten statutory period of one month or thirty days from the mailing date of the Office Action, whichever is longer.

The Office Action states at page 2 that the timely submission filed on November 10, 2005, is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because the amendment that has been scanned in is blurred and cannot be read accurately by the Examiner. The applicant submits a complete copy of the response and amendment filed November 10, 2005. The applicant also submits the facsimile receipt dated November 10, 2005.

Applicant also notes that an interview was conducted with the Examiner by telephone on December 14, 2005. On December 15, 2005, Applicant filed a Summary of Interview in which the Applicant thanked the Examiner for the interview, during which the

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non-final Office Action, dated June 10, 2005, the references cited therein, and Applicant's response to that Office Action, dated November 10, 2005, were discussed. The Summary of Interview noted that the Examiner indicated that it appeared that Applicant's response overcame the rejections in the June 10, 2005 Office Action and that the Examiner would update her search.

The Commissioner was previously authorized to deduct the extension of time fee and any other necessary LARGE ENTITY fees. Thus, no fee is due at this time. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due, or credit any overcharge, to Deposit Account No. 16-2500 to maintain the pendency of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

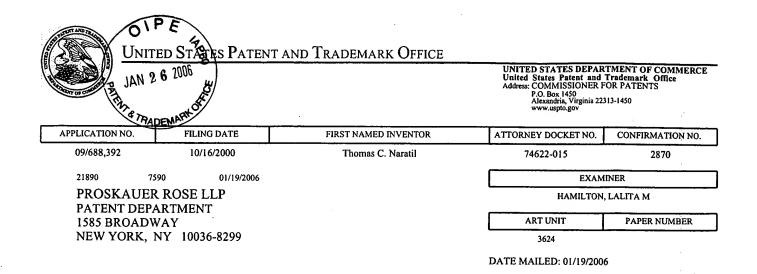
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DETAILED ACTION

Non-Responsive Amendment

The timely submission under 37 CFR 1.129(a) filed on November 10, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because the amendment that has been scanned in is blurred and cannot be read accurately by the Examiner. The Examiner respectfully ask that the Applicant resubmit another copy of the amendment, so that it may properly be scanned in. Since the submission appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lalita M. Hamilton whose telephone number is (571) 272-6743. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Thursday (8:30-4:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vincent Millin can be reached on (571) 272-6747. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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